

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the City of Seattle is proud to be the home of dedicated public servants and citizens who work to protect animals from neglect and abuse; and

WHEREAS, 2007 marks the 35th anniversary of the Seattle Animal Shelter and the 25th anniversary of the Seattle Animal Shelter Municipal Spay and Neuter Clinic; and

WHEREAS, in its 35 years, the Seattle Animal Shelter has saved the lives of tens of thousands of orphaned animals in Seattle; and

WHEREAS the Shelter's low cost spay and neuter clinic has sterilized more than 87,000 dogs and cats, resulting in a substantial reduction in pet overpopulation in this region; and

WHEREAS through the Shelter's active volunteer program, dedicated and compassionate Seattle residents donate more than 100,000 volunteer hours annually to improve the quality of life of Seattle's animals; and

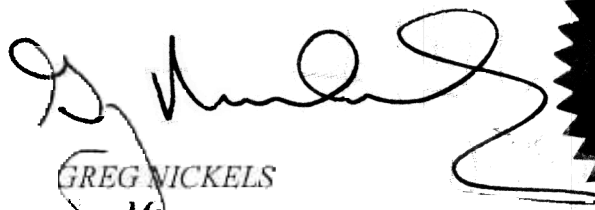
WHEREAS Seattle citizens, foundations, and corporations have generously donated more than \$1 million toward improving animal welfare in Seattle; and

WHEREAS family pets contribute significantly to the quality of life of the people of Seattle;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GREGORY J. NICKELS, Mayor of the City of Seattle, do hereby proclaim 2007 to be the

YEAR OF THE SEATTLE ANIMAL SHELTER

in Seattle, and I encourage all citizens to recognize those who have rescued animals from abuse and join in the effort to end cruelty to animals.


GREG NICKELS
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